

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SECURE AUTHENTICATION OF A SUBSCRIBER
OF NETWORK SERVICES**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system and method for electronically authenticating a subscriber account for a network service is disclosed. In the preferred embodiment, a subscriber account provider receives initial information from a subscriber. The received information is stored by the subscriber account provider. A transaction processing device is provided to the subscriber and the subscriber is electronically authenticated prior to enabling the subscriber account for performing the network service. In the preferred embodiment, the step of electronically authenticating the subscriber comprises receiving captured information from subscriber through said transaction processing device. After receiving the captured information the subscriber account provider utilizes the captured information to receive verifying information about the subscriber; and then compares the verifying information with the initial information to authenticate the subscriber.

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